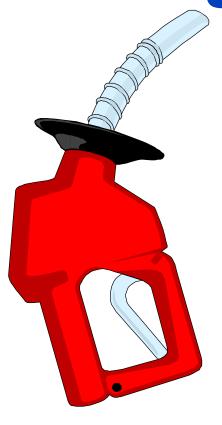
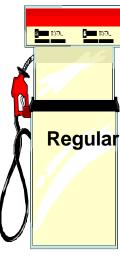
### NH Stage I/II Vapor Recovery Program



# Overview of NH Gasoline Vapor Recovery Program





### Benefits of Gasoline Vapor Recovery

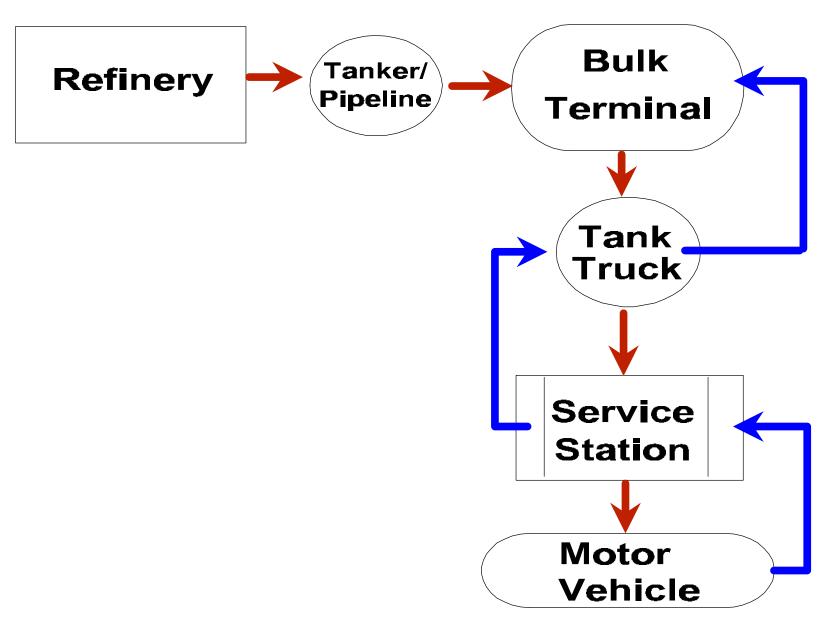
 Reduces VOC emissions by up to 95%

- Reduces exposure to toxics and

GASOLINE

carcinogens

### Vapor Recovery Cycle

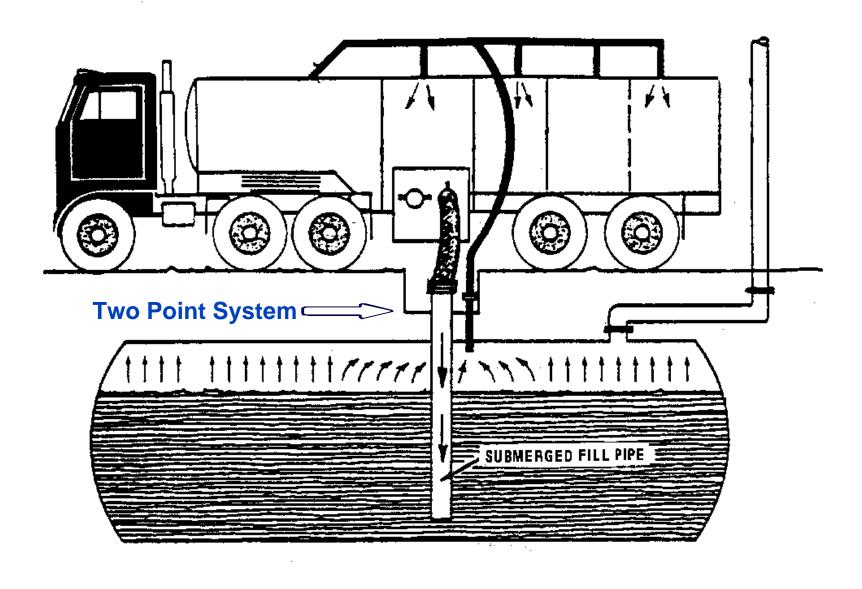


# Stage I Vapor Recovery

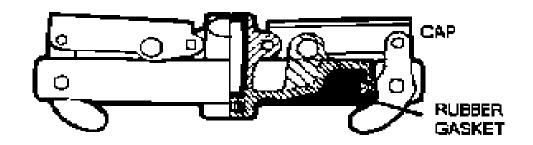
- Two Point
- Coaxial
- Teed

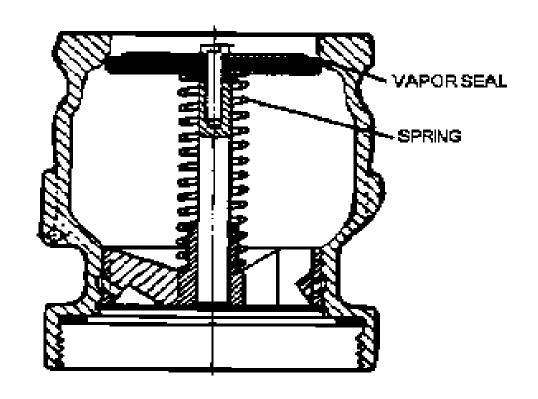


#### Vapor Collection at Station

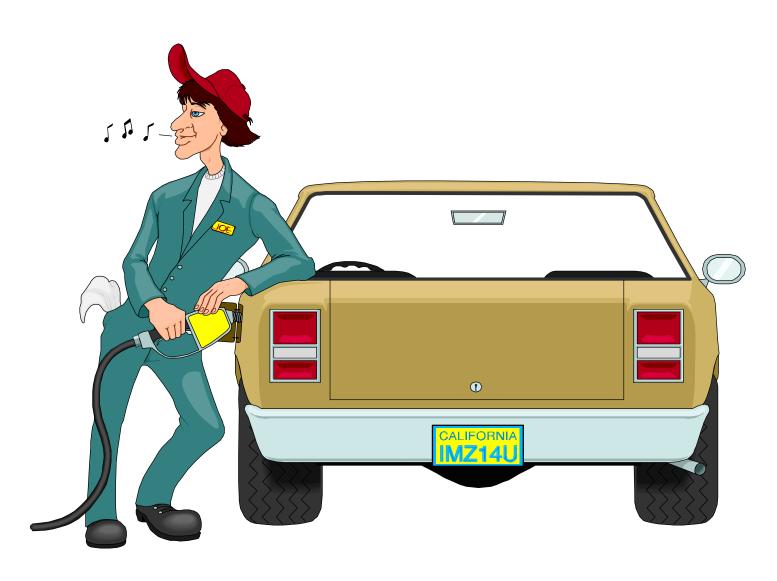


### Stage I Dry Break

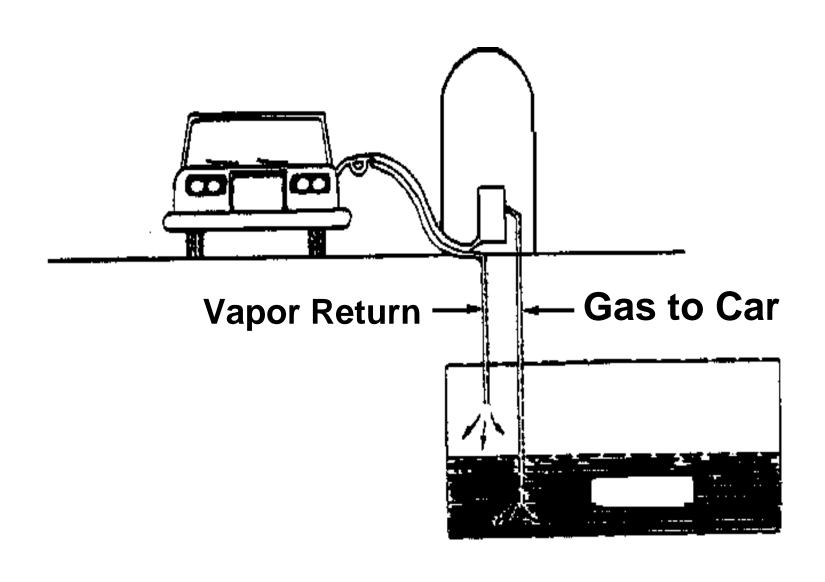




### Stage II Vapor Recovery



### Vapor Collection from Vehicle Tank



### Summary

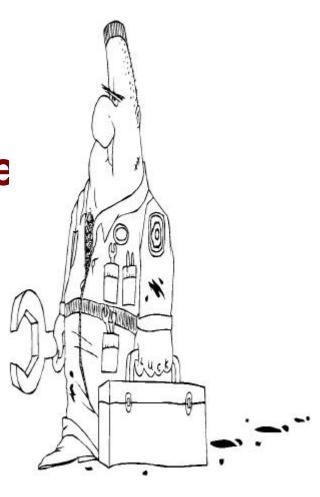
- Stage I required on tanks 1100 gal & greater
- Stage I required on delivery trucks servicing eligible tanks
- Stage II required in Hillsboro, Merrimack, Rockingham, & Strafford Counties
  - Stage II only required at stations with 420,000 gal and above yearly throughput
- Certification required for all stations
  - Stage II certification requires test and is only good for up to 3 years
  - Stage I certifications are good until a change is made to the system

### NH Vapor Recovery Rule Changes

- Stage I required for all tanks 1100 gal or larger
- Stage II testing required on three year cycle from 1993/4
- Stage II testing changes
  - Nozzle ratio testing required
  - Testing of Pressure Vacuum Vent Caps required

### Stage II Testing

- Pressure Decay Testing
- Back Pressure Testing
- Pressure/Vacuum Cap Te
- Nozzle Testing
- Healy System Testing

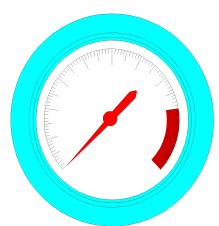


### **Pressure Decay Testing**

- NH requires 10" w.c. initial pressure
- Pressure is maintained for 5 minutes
- Allowable decay is determined based on tank ullage

### Common Pressure Decay Problems

- Loose fittings
  - pipe fittings
  - dry breaks
  - covers



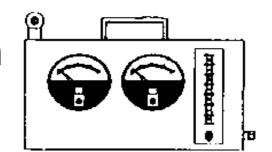
- Leaking spill bucket plungers
- Nozzles
  - check valves
- Breakaways

### Common Pressure Decay Problems (Cont.)

- No Drop Tube
- Wrong Fittings
- Gasoline Storage Tanks Filled Within Three Hours of Test
- No Testing Tees
- Slip On Type P/V Vent Cap on Threaded Vent Pipe
- Leaking Test Equipment

### **Back Pressure Testing**

- Dry Test
  - -- 20,60 & 100 CFH Nitrogen
- Wet Test
  - Gasoline flow back to tank
  - -- 60 CFH
- Dry Break Propped Open



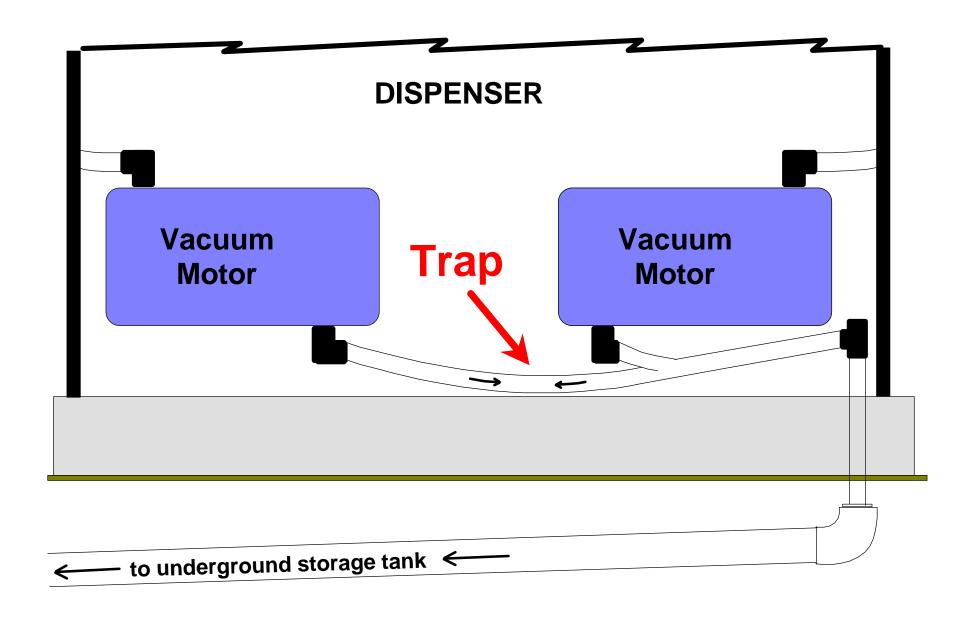
Gauge Shouldn't Pulsate

#### **Back Pressure Problems**

Liquid Traps in Vapor Return
 Line

- Traps in Dispenser Vapor Piping
- Dispenser Hose Not Drained
- Poor Seal on Testing Fixture

### Vapor Return Piping Problems



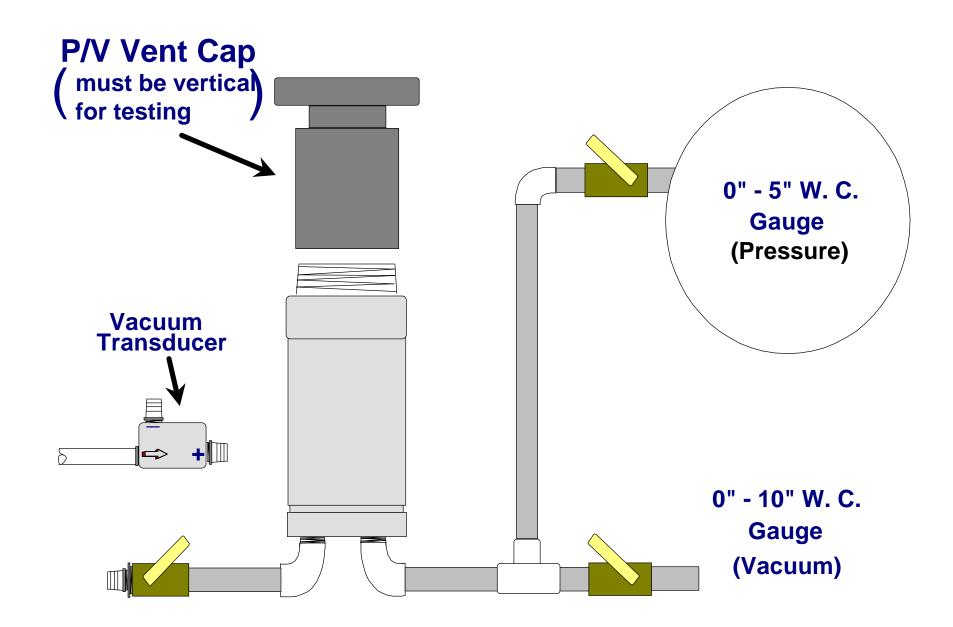
## Pressure Vacuum Cap Testing

- Pressure Tested to +/- .5 w.c.

- Vacuum Tested to +/- 2 "w.c.

Cap Must be Vertical

#### Pressure/Vacuum Vent Cap Tester



### Pressure Vacuum (P/V) Vent Caps

Required on all Stage I/II Systems

Stage II Vapor Recovery Systems

Pressure: 3 " w.c.

Vacuum: 8 " w.c.

Stage I Vapor Recovery Systems

Pressure: 8 oz/square inch

Vacuum: 1/2 oz/square inch

### Nozzle Ratio Testing

- Air to Liquid Ratio
  - -- Ratio Computed at STP
  - --Flow Meter Required
  - --Allowable Ratios Based on CARB Certifications

 Vapor to Liquid Ratio Testing Allowed

#### Nozzle Testing Problems

- Insufficient Gasoline Flow Rate
- Poorly Fitting Nozzle Sleeve
  - --Sleeve Covering Vacuum Shut-off

- Flow Meter not in Calibration

### Healy System Testing

- Booted Nozzle Systems
  - Pressure Decay of Tank
  - Booted Nozzle Test
  - Vacuum Decay of Vapor Return
- Bootless Nozzle Systems (600)
  - Pressure Decay of Tank
  - Vacuum Decay of Vapor Return
  - A/L or V/L Nozzle Test

### Healy System Testing Problems

- Wrong Testing Gauges
- Incorrect Pump Piping
- Different Booted Nozzle Test
- Different Vacuum Decay Calculation Between Booted and Bootless Systems

### Most Commonly Found Test Problems

- Loose Fittings
- Traps in Vapor Return Piping
- Missing or Incorrect P/V Vent Caps
- Malfunctioning Vapor Recovery Nozzle Systems
- Plungers in Spill Buckets Not Sealed
- New Work not Completed and Covered Over

#### **Additional Testing Issues**



- Tests Scheduled 5 Days in Advance
- State Required to Inspect Test
- Test Results to be Supplied to State

#### Safety Issues



- Caution With Vapors
  - -- Fire Hazards
  - -- Asphyxiation



- Use Cones and Safety Tape
- Ladder Use During P/V Vent Cap Removal/Installation
- Safety Glasses During Testing
- Cold & Hot Weather Extremes

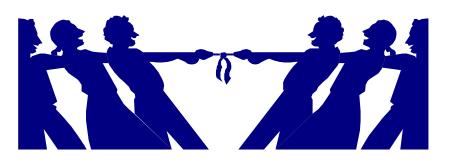
#### Recommended Vapor Recovery Reference Materials

- CARB Executive Orders /Manual
- PEI RP300-93 Recommended Practices for Installation and Testing of Vapor Recovery Systems



# Questions and Open Discussion



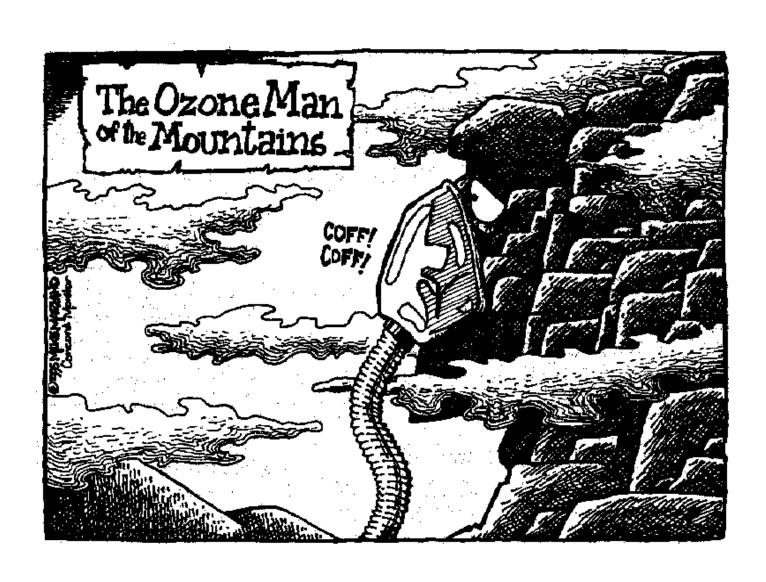


# New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services

### Air Resources Division

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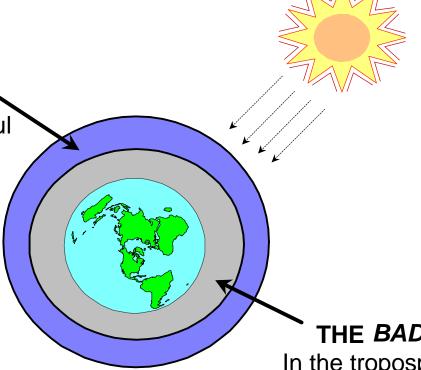
#### **Air Pollution Overview**



#### There's GOOD Ozone and BAD Ozone

#### THE GOOD OZONE:

In the Stratosphere, ozone protects us from the sun's harmful ultraviolet radiation.



#### THE BAD OZONE:

In the troposphere, ozone (ground-level) can damage lung tissue and plants.

#### STRATOSPHERIC OZONE:

**Occurs Naturally** 

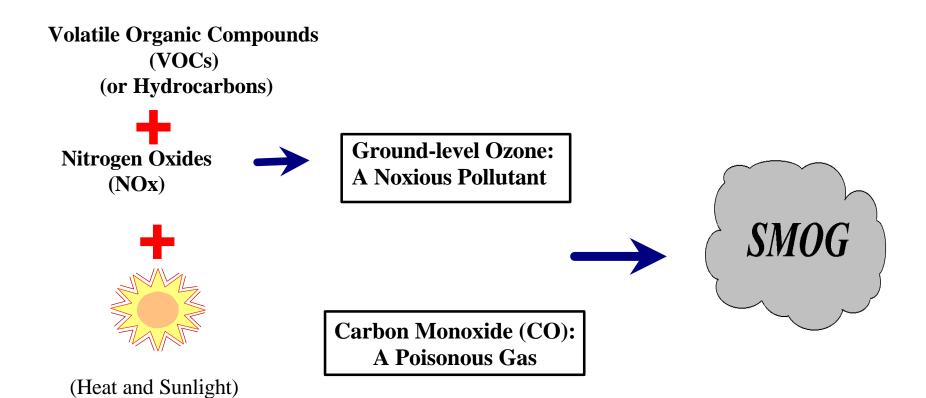
# Protects the Earth from Harmful Ultraviolet Radiation

#### **TROPOSPHERIC OZONE:**

### Results from Human Activities

### Causes Damage to Lung Tissue and Plants

#### What is SMOG?



### Clean Air Act



# NH'S STRATEGIES TO CONTROL OZONE

Industrial NOx and VOC controls

**New Motor Vehicle Standards** 

Use of Reformulated Gasoline (RFG)

Stage I and Stage II Vapor Recovery

### Unburned Gasoline Vapors Problems

Gasoline distribution for use in motor vehicles creates vapors

11 lbs VOC created per 1000 gallons of gasoline vapors

- Increases ozone & smog

Hazardous Air Pollutants found in unburned gasoline vapors

- Benzene Toluene
- Hexane Naphthene MTBE